Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan in Kerala

1119. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) how many districts in Kerala have implemented the new scheme of education, Sarva Shiksha abhiyan;

(b) the amount allotted to Kerala for implementing the scheme and the progress achieved by the districts in that State, for implementing the scheme;

(c) whether Government would consider to introduce any new development measures for successful implementation of the SSA Scheme; and

(d) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan is being implemented in all the 14 districts in Kerala.

(b) An outlay of Rs. 2372.98 lakhs was sanctioned to Kerala during 2001-2002 for implementing the Scheme, of which Central Government released Rs. 1008.48 lakhs to the State as first instalment. In addition Rs. 185.74 lakhs was also released for pre-project activities. Preliminary works related to the approved items have been started in all districts.

(c) and (d) The State has prepared District Elementary Education Plans (DEEP) under SSA. These plans will be appraised at the national level.

Revision of syllabus by NCERT

† 1120. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Council of Education Research and Training (NCERT) has revised the syllabus of various classes from this year;

(b) if so, the syllabus of which classes has been revised by NCERT and the number of books published for each of the same;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.